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SUBJ: NINTH SESSION OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL MARITIME
CONSULTATIVE ORGANIZATION (IMCO) -- COMMITTEE II
TECHNICAL

1. SUMMARY. CHAIRMAN COMMITTEE II ERTEL (POLAND) SUB-
MITTED REPORT TO ASSEMBLY 12 NOVEMBER. COMMITTEE CON-
SIDERED AGENDA ITEMS 7(A), (B) AND (C), 8, 12(A) AND (C),
17, 20, 21 AND 22. ASSEMBLY ADOPTED ALL ITEMS AS RE-
PORTED BY COMMITTEE II. END SUMMARY

2. DISCUSSION OF PARTICULAR INTEREST ENSUED AS FOLLOWS:

A. 7(B) AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 29 OF THE INTERNATIONAL
CONVENTION ON LOAD LINES, 1966. FRENCH DELEGATION RESUR-
FACED PROPOSAL DEFEATED IN COMMITTEE TO DELETE PARAGRAPH
4 DEALING WITH ACCEPTANCE OF CERTIFICATES RELATED TO
MATTERS COVERED BY A TECHNICAL AMENDMENT TO THE CON-
VENTION. IN FRENCH VIEW PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAPH 4 IN-
FRINGE ON SOVEREIGNTY OF STATES WHICH HAVE OBJECTED TO
SUCH AMENDMENT. FRANCE OFFERED AS A COMPROMISE IN
EVENT ASSEMBLY REJECTED FIRST PROPOSAL, TO REWORD PARA-
GRAPH 4(A) USING THE TEXT OF 1973 MARINE POLLUTION CON-
VENTION, ARTICLE 16, PARAGRAPH 4(B). FRANCE WAS SUP-
PORTED BY EGYPT, MEXICO AND ROMANIA. UK EXPRESSED OP-
POSITION CITING APPROVED TEXT AS IDENTICAL TO 1974

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SAFETY CONVENTION, MORE EXPLICIT YET AFFORDING FLEXI-

BILITY IN APPLICATION TO CONTRACTING GOVERNMENT WHICH HAS ACCEPTED A TECHNICAL AMENDMENT. UK ALSO CONCERNED THAT USING ONLY SMALL PART OF A THIRD CONVENTION MAKES ALL CONVENTIONS DIFFERENT. US DELEGATE AGREED WITH UK AND ADDED THAT TAKING ONE PARAGRAPH OUT OF CONTEXT FROM ANOTHER CONVENTION FRAUGHT WITH SERIOUS COMPLICATIONS, PARTICULARLY WHERE DONE WITHOUT ADEQUATE STUDY. US DELEGATE FORMALLY OBJECTED TO BOTH FRENCH PROPOSALS ON PROCEDURAL GROUNDS THAT LATE SUBMISSION PRECLUDED ALL DELEGATES HAVING SUFFICIENT TIME TO CONSIDER ALL RAMIFICATIONS OF SUCH PROPOSALS. PRESIDENT RULED ASSEMBLY COMPETENT TO CONSIDER ONLY PROPOSAL TO DELETE PARAGRAPH 4. AFTER LENGTHY DEBATE ON RULING, PROPOSAL TO DELETE PUT TO VOTE AND DEFEATED 21, 27 (US), 16. ASSEMBLY THEN ADOPTED ORIGINAL APPROVED TEXT 34 (US), 2, 22.

B. 7(C) RECOMMENDATIONS RELATED TO MARITIME SAFETY. GREEK DELEGATION TOOK EXCEPTION TO WORD QUOTE FULLY END QUOTE IN FOURTH PARAGRAPH OF RESOLUTION 11, PROCEDURES FOR CONTROL OF SHIPS, WHICH CALLS INTER ALIA FOR QUOTE STRENGTHENING THE EFFECTIVENESS OF EXISTING ARRANGEMENTS FOR IDENTIFYING SHIPS WHICH DO NOT FULLY COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF CONVENTIONS END QUOTE. GREECE VIEWS THIS TERM AS IMPOSING EXCESSIVE RESTRICTIONS ON SHIPS NOT MEETING EXACT LETTER OF REGULATIONS AND PROPOSED EITHER SUBSTITUTING WORD SUBSTANTIALLY OR ELSE DELETING WORD FULLY. AFTER SOME DEBATE SUBSTITUTE WORD DEFEATED 6, 24 (US) 30 THEN DELETION OF WORD DEFEATED 6, 24 (US), 34. RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED AS WRITTEN WITHOUT VOTE. GREEK DELEGATION SIGNIFIED RESERVATION ON THE ISSUE.

C. 12(A) REPORT ON INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON SAFETY OF LIFE AT SEA 1974. US DELEGATE VOICED SUPPORT FOR NEW SAFETY CONVENTION AND SUGGESTED, IN THE INTEREST OF MAKING TRUE PROGRESS TOWARD SAFETY, THAT CONTRACTING GOVERNMENTS CONTINUE TO CONSIDER AND IMPLEMENT TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS TO THE 1960 SAFETY CONVENTION WHILE AWAITING COMING INTO FORCE OF THE NEW CONVENTION.

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